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Monthly Report -- Hong Kong Bureau

FROM:

Chief, Operations Group

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NO.

DATE

February 1988

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FOREIGN BROADCAST INFORMATION SERVICE
HONG KONG BUREAU

FBIS--3604-88
2 March 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service

THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group

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FROM : [redacted] Chief, Hong Kong Bureau

SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Hong Kong Bureau--February 1988

I. GENERAL

The Bureau auspicously entered the Year of the Dragon with a party hosted by the Bureau Chief on the 12th. American and local employees contributed a wide variety of Chinese- and American-style dishes, cakes, and liquid refreshment. The most popular dish, bean curd with dried mushrooms, was served by Chinese monitor and gourmet cook [redacted] The advent of the Lunar New Year also meant that the Bureau was on holiday staffing for the week of the 14th, but this did not seem to matter with the monitors and editors teaming up to produce over a million words.

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To the Chinese, the Year of the Dragon is a year of good fortune, and this year started off well for our local employees, who at midmonth were the beneficiaries of a new foreign national payscale pending since November. The new payscale represents an increase of 3.75 percent for all employees. The Consulate is working on another 2.2-percent increase for the local staff.

The Year of the Dragon also brought the White Paper on representative government for Hong Kong, a sensitive issue here as Hong Kong prepares for the reversion to China in 1997. While greeted by the left-leaning population of Hong Kong, the White Paper has provoked an outcry from the more democratically inclined citizenry and charges that the PRC unduly influenced its drafting. The White Paper was yet another indication for the majority of the Hong Kong population that their destiny is being decided from London and Beijing, and not in Hong Kong.

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II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. This month when Chinese General Secretary Zhao Ziyang disappeared from view during the Lunar New Year festivities, sparking off concerns of ill health or that his political fortunes had tumbled, the Bureau kept tabs on his inspection tour of the southern coastal areas through the local PRC-dominated press. Although the central media has yet to report on his travels, the Bureau has monitored a handful of reports from the Guangdong provincial radio on his activities.

2. The Bureau can report that the Manila remote site proved its worth during the first month in full operation. Through the remote, the Bureau was able to file its first of many television items, a long interview with the newly named Philippine Armed Forces chief of staff in which he discussed the military's policies against the communist insurgency. The Bureau also received a message from AG that read: "Consumers here are ecstatic about the Bureau's new capability to exploit NATIONAL MIDWEEK. They particularly mentioned the two 'dynamite' interviews that the Bureau recently filed from the magazine."

3. The Bureau received the concurrence of the Terminology Coordinator and other Headquarters offices concerned to use Tibet and Tibetan, instead of Xizang and Zang, respectively, in copy and sourcelines. When the PRC switched from the Wade-Giles to the Pinyin transliteration system in the late '70's, its English-language materials originally used Xizang and Zang, but now they use the more easily understood Tibet and Tibetan.

B. Cruising

During the month Chief Monitor [redacted] conducted and filed a reception survey on PRC regional radios on Bureau coverage as well as those being covered by Okinawa and Seoul Bureaus. STAT

C. Technical

1. Cable & Wireless has advised the Bureau that the galvanization of the mounting hardware for the new microwave antennas has been completed. The installation of the support elements for the two 13-foot repeaters at the Mount Butler high site will begin soon. When this installation is completed, the backing structure supporting the current 6-foot dish on the roof of the technicians' quarters will be modified. Regional Engineer [redacted] will TDY to the Bureau 14-18 March to oversee this STAT

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work. Reorientation of the dishes and testing of the system will commence soon afterward.

2. During the month the technicians carried out preventive maintenance on 12 National recorders, 2 Sony transcribers, and 6 Comscribe IIIC printers. They also replaced a drum cartridge in one of the Dataproducts printers used on the LAN.

III. ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel

1. At a ceremony on the 25th, Consul General Anderson presented [redacted] Chief Technician [redacted] and Chinese Monitor [redacted] with certificates recognizing their 10 years of service with FBIS. STAT STAT

2. At a Bureau gathering on the 29th, the Bureau Chief presented Editor [redacted] with a promotion to GS-11. STAT

3. The Bureau has begun processing for two Chinese monitor applicants.

4. Teletypist [redacted] returned from maternity leave on the 29th after giving birth to a baby girl. STAT

IV. VISITS

1. The Bureau Chief attended a reception hosted by the Hong Kong Telecommunications Limited on the 1st.

2. Islamabad unit chief [redacted] visited the Bureau on the 24th while on private travel. STAT

[redacted] STAT

Chief, Hong Kong Bureau

Attachment and 4 - Hqs
CC: 1 - C/Bangkok
1 - C/Okinawa
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I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	1118330
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	75310
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	1682

	BROAD-CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI-CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	3345	20430	248

III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES: (PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

CHINA	
BEIJING INTERNATIONAL SERVICE IN TAGALOG	1530
CHANGSHA HUNAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	4720
CHENGDU SICHUAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	4350
GUANGZHOU GUANGDONG PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	7090
GUIYANG GUIZHOU PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	2480
HAIKOU HAINAN ISLAND SERVICE IN MANDARIN	3950
KUNMING YUNNAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	1610
LANZHOU GANSU PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	3250
LHASA XIZANG REGIONAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	12050
NANNING GUANGXI REGIONAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	3610
TAIYUAN SHANXI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	4110
URUMQI XINJIANG REGIONAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	7990
WUHAN HUBEI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	9200
XIAN SHAANXI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	10090

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XINING QINGHAI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	7800		
YINCHUAN NINGXIA REGIONAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	1710		
ZHENGZHOU HENAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	9470		
BEIJING XINHUA IN ENGLISH		950	
BEIJING XINHUA HONG KONG SERVICE IN CHINESE		1460	
BEIJING ZHONGGUO XINWEN SHE IN CHINESE		29730	
HONG KONG XINHUA IN ENGLISH		1460	
BEIJING BAN YUE TAN IN CHINESE			5660
BEIJING CHINA DAILY IN ENGLISH			54310
BEIJING FAZHI RIBAO IN CHINESE			900
BEIJING GONGREN RIBAO IN CHINESE			8310
BEIJING GUANGMING RIBAO IN CHINESE			41020
BEIJING GUOJI SHANGBAO IN CHINESE			1720
BEIJING GUOJI WENTI YANJIU IN CHINESE			16650
BEIJING HONGQI IN CHINESE			30410
BEIJING JIEFANGJUN BAO IN CHINESE			17890
BEIJING JINGJI CANKAO IN CHINESE			4940
BEIJING JINGJI GUANLI IN CHINESE			36640
BEIJING JINGJI RIBAO IN CHINESE			34430
BEIJING JINGJI YANJIU IN CHINESE			30540
BEIJING JINGJIXUE ZHOUBAO IN CHINESE			2490
BEIJING LIAOWANG IN CHINESE			7310
BEIJING LILUN YUEKAN IN CHINESE			0
BEIJING LISHI YANJIU IN CHINESE			3700
BEIJING NONGMIN RIBAO IN CHINESE			12790

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BEIJING QUNYAN IN	
CHINESE	0
BEIJING RENMIN RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	145740
BEIJING RENMIN RIBAO OVERSEAS EDITION IN	
CHINESE	5810
BEIJING SHIJIE JINGJI IN	
CHINESE	0
BEIJING SHIJIE LISHI IN	
CHINESE	0
BEIJING SHIJIE ZHISHI IN	
CHINESE	2310
BEIJING WENYI BAO IN	
CHINESE	0
BEIJING WENZHAI BAO IN	
CHINESE	360
BEIJING XINWEN ZHANXIAN IN	
CHINESE	0
BEIJING ZHEXUE YANJIU IN	
CHINESE	0
BEIJING ZHONGGUO FAZHI BAO IN	
CHINESE	0
BEIJING ZHONGGUO JINGJI TIZHI GAIGE IN	
CHINESE	3110
BEIJING ZHONGGUO QINGNIAN BAO IN	
CHINESE	0
CHENGDU SICHUAN RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	0
CHONGQING CHONGQING RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	4090
GUANGZHOU KAIFANG IN	
CHINESE	0
GUANGZHOU NANFANG RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	400
GUANGZHOU YANGCHENG WANBAO IN	
CHINESE	1130
HONG KONG LIAOWANG OVERSEAS EDITION IN	
CHINESE	36780
KUNMING YUNNAN RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	0
SHANGHAI SHIJIE JINGJI DAOBAO IN	
CHINESE	0
TAIYUAN SHANXI RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	0
WUHAN CHANGJIANG RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	3080
WUHAN HUBEI RIBAO IN	
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HONG KONG			
HONG KONG COMMERCIAL RADIO IN ENGLISH	500		
HONG KONG DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ENGLISH	2520		
HONG KONG ASIA TELEVISION LIMITED IN ENGLISH	350		
HONG KONG AFP IN ENGLISH		55290	
HONG KONG ZHONGGUO TONGXUN SHE IN CHINESE		0	
HONG KONG ASIAWEEK IN ENGLISH			2720
HONG KONG CHANWANG IN CHINESE			0
HONG KONG CHENG MING IN CHINESE			4140
HONG KONG CHING PAO IN CHINESE			15490
HONG KONG CHIUSHIH NIENTAI IN CHINESE			2370
HONG KONG FAR EASTERN ECONOMIC REVIEW IN ENGLISH			1280
HONG KONG HONGKONG STANDARD IN ENGLISH			27570
HONG KONG HSIN WAN PAO IN CHINESE			790
HONG KONG KUANG CHIAO CHING IN CHINESE			0
HONG KONG MING PAO IN CHINESE			2560
HONG KONG PAI HSING IN CHINESE			0
HONG KONG SING TAO JIH PAO IN CHINESE			250
HONG KONG SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST IN ENGLISH			69730
HONG KONG SOUTH CHINA SUNDAY MORNING POST IN ENGLISH			9440
HONG KONG SUNDAY STANDARD IN ENGLISH			2040
HONG KONG TA KUNG PAO IN CHINESE			7270
HONG KONG TA KUNG PAO IN ENGLISH			2250
HONG KONG TUNG HSIANG IN CHINESE			3630
HONG KONG WEN WEI PO IN CHINESE			10570

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PHILIPPINES

BAGUIO CITY MOUNTAIN PROVINCE BROADCSTING COMPANY IN ENGLISH	2790
MANILA FAR EAST BROADCASTING COMPANY IN ENGLISH	13310
MANILA RADIO VERITAS IN TAGALOG	17570
QUEZON CITY GMA-7 RADIO-TELEVISION ARTS NETWORK IN ENGLISH	13500
QUEZON CITY GMA-7 RADIO-TELEVISION ARTS NETWORK IN TAGALOG	4330
QUEZON CITY RADYO NG BAYAN IN ENGLISH	2720
QUEZON CITY RADYO NG BAYAN IN TAGALOG	25550
QUEZON CITY SPORTS RADIO 738 IN ENGLISH	480
DAVAO CITY THE MINDANAO DAILY MIRROR IN ENGLISH	480
DAVAO CITY PERYODIKO DABAW IN ENGLISH	500
MANILA BUSINESS STAR IN ENGLISH	22230
MANILA BUSINESS WORLD IN ENGLISH	28790
MANILA MANILA BULLETIN IN ENGLISH	12130
MANILA PHILIPPINE DAILY GLOBE IN ENGLISH	27310
MANILA PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER IN ENGLISH	22640
MANILA THE MANILA CHRONICLE IN ENGLISH	34170
MANILA MANILA STANDARD IN ENGLISH	2510
MANILA THE MANILA TIMES IN ENGLISH	540
MANILA THE NEW PHILIPPINES DAILY EXPRESS IN ENGLISH	0
MANILA THE NEW PHILIPPINES SUNDAY EXPRESS IN ENGLISH	0
MANILA THE PHILIPPINES STAR IN ENGLISH	2420
MANILA THE SUNDAY TIMES IN ENGLISH	0
QUEZON CITY MALAYA IN ENGLISH	3010
QUEZON CITY NATIONAL MIDWEEK IN ENGLISH	12100
QUEZON CITY WE FORUM IN ENGLISH	0

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